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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
BRACKETING AND REMOVING TISSUE

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

The present communication responds to the Office Action dated July 9, 2007 in the above-identified U.S. patent application. Please extend the period of time for response to this Office Action by three months, to expire January 9, 2008. Please consider the following remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.